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(54) An orally administered drug form comprising a polar bioactive agent and an adjuvant.

(57) A drug form is provided for increasing the oral absorption of polar bioactive agents such as xanthines, polyhydroxylic substances, zwitterions, polypeptides and organic anions and related chemical species by the oral administration of said polar bioactive agents in a suitable pharmaceutically accepted excipient to which has been added a hydroxyaromatic, hydroxyaryl or hydroxy aralkyl acid or salt amide or ester thereof. The hydroxy aryl or hydroxy aralkyl acid or salt amide or ester thereof is present in the drug form in quantities sufficient to be effective in enhancing the rate of oral absorption of the polar bioactive agents.

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TITLE OF THE INVENTION

AN ORALLY ADMINISTERED DRUG FORM COMPRISING  
A POLAR BIOACTIVE AGENT AND AN ADJUVANT

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION5 Field of the Invention

The present invention relates to the oral  
delivery of polar bioactive agents which by this  
route are slowly absorbed and more especially to the  
enhancement of this delivery by formulations which  
10 contain a hydroxyaromatic acid.

As employed in this application, the term "polar bioactive agents" refers to those therapeutic substances which, due to their polar nature, are slowly absorbed from the gastrointestinal tract and include xanthines, polyhydroxylic compounds, zwitterions, polypeptides, organic anions and related chemical compounds.

#### DESCRIPTION OF THE PRIOR ART

It is well known to the art that a number of bioactive agents are so polar that they are only slowly absorbed from the gastrointestinal tract. Consequently, these agents, on the basis of the current art, must be administered by the intravenous or intramuscular route or in excessively large oral doses in order to attain clinical efficacy. The  $\beta$ -lactam antibiotics and the glycosidic antibiotics are two examples of bioactive agents which are slowly absorbed by the oral route. Similarly, there are a number of other polar bioactive agents such as the xanthines, antitumor agents, narcotic analgesics, agents which contain organic anions, polyhydroxylic agents and polypeptides which, due to their hydrophilic nature, are also slowly absorbed from the gastrointestinal tract. The hydrophilic, polar nature of these agents precludes their rapid absorption so that even the small percentage which is absorbed is subject to a long residency time in the gastrointestinal environment where both acidic and enzymatic degradation contribute to their poor bioavailability. It is therefore clear that any factor which enhances the rate of absorption will demonstrate improved clinical efficacy.

Many attempts have been made to improve the oral absorption of these polar bioactive agents. The degradation caused by the gastric acid and enzymes can be partially overcome by coating. This process in some instances can lead to some enhanced oral absorption, but in no case does it allow complete absorption. Other approaches center on the reduction of the hydrophilicity by preparing a chemical derivative which is more lipophilic. The more lipophilic derivative is more rapidly absorbed so that the residency time in the degrading gastric medium is minimized.

In spite of the numerous attempts to prepare a dosage form of these polar bioactive agents, there still exists a clear and present need for a novel method to enhance the oral absorption of polar bioactive agents. Said method would permit the oral use of a number of agents containing organic anions, polyhydroxy agents and polypeptides, and would provide an improved oral dosage form for xanthines, narcotic analgesics and a number of other agents.

#### SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Accordingly, a major object of this invention is to provide a novel class of agents which enhance the oral absorption of polar bioactive agents.

Another object is to provide a process utilizing said novel class of agents to enhance the oral absorption of polar bioactive agents.

Another object is to provide a stable drug form utilizing said novel class of agents which when administered orally will provide increased blood levels of the therapeutic agent.

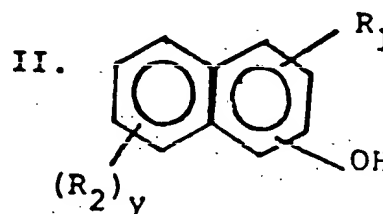
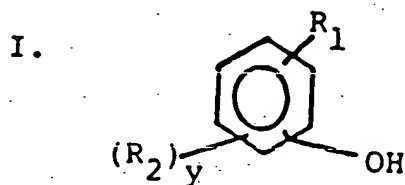
Other objects, features and advantages of the invention will be apparent to those skilled in the art from the detailed description of the invention which follows.

5 All of the foregoing objects are readily attained by providing a method and drug form wherein the oral absorption of polar bioactive agents is enhanced, the method comprising the steps of preparing a drug form suitable for oral delivery, and a drug form comprising an  
10 effective unit dosage amount of the polar bioactive agents, a hydroxyaryl or hydroxyaralkyl acid or salt, amide or ester thereof, the latter adjuvants being present in said drug form in an amount sufficient to be effective in enhancing the rate of the oral absorption of the  
15 therapeutic substance, and a suitable pharmaceutically accepted excipient.

#### DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

The present invention, generally comprises the steps of preparing a drug form capable of being orally  
20 administered, wherein the drug form comprises an effective unit dosage amount of a polar bioactive agent and a hydroxyaryl or hydroxyaralkyl acid or salt, amide or ester thereof, the hydroxyaryl or hydroxyaralkyl acid or salt ester or amide thereof being present in the drug form in a  
25 sufficient quantity to be effective in enhancing the oral absorption rate and administering the drug form to warm-blooded animals. The amount of polar bioactive agent varies over a wide range, but generally any therapeutically effective unit dosage amount of the  
30 selected polar bioactive agent is used.

The hydroxyaryl or hydroxyaralkyl acids or their salts esters or amides thereof that are used as the adjuvants in our method and in our drug forms have the following structural formulae including the various isomers possible within the formulae set forth:



wherein  $R_1$  is a radical selected from  $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$ ,  
 $\text{H}$

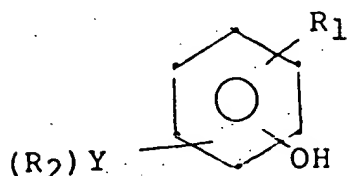
$-(\text{CH}_2)_n-\text{COOH}$ ,  $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$ ,  $-\text{C}-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$ ;  
 $\text{R}_3$

$-\text{SO}_3\text{H}$ ,  $-\text{CH}_2\text{SO}_3\text{H}$ ,  $\text{X}(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{CO}_2\text{H}$ ,  $\text{SO}_2\text{NHR}$ ,

$\text{PO}(\text{OH})\text{N}(\text{OH}_2)$ ,  $\text{PO}(\text{OH})\text{OR}_4$  or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof wherein  $R_2$  is the radical selected from OH, H, a lower alkoxy radical having 1-10 carbon atoms, a lower alkyl radical having 1-10 carbons, a lower alkenyl radical having 2-5 carbon atoms, a lower alkanoyl radical having 1-5 carbon atoms, a lower alkanoyloxy radical having 1-5 carbon atoms, a carboxy radical, a carbo-lower alkoxy radical having 1-5 carbon atoms, a halo radical, a mono-, di-, or tri-halo lower alkyl radical having 1-5 carbon atoms, an amino radical, a mono- or di-lower alkyl amino radical having 1-5 carbon atoms, a carbamyl radical, a lower mono- or di-alkyl carbamyl radical wherein the alkyl group has 1-5 carbon atoms, a thio radical, a lower alkyl thio radical wherein

- the alkyl group has 1-5 carbon atoms, a cyano radical, a lower alkyl sulfone radical wherein the alkyl group has 1-5 carbon atoms, a lower alkyl sulfoxide radical wherein the alkyl group has 1-5 carbon atoms, a nitro radical, 5  $N(CN)_2$ ,  $C(CN)_3$ , an alkynyl radical having 2-6 carbon atoms, a cycloalkyl radical having 3-10 carbon atoms, a cycloalkenyl radical having 3-10 carbon atoms, an aryl radical including phenyl, a heteroaryl radical including thiophenyl and imadazoalyl, or heterocycloalkyl 10 radical including morphiliny and piperdiny, wherein  $R_3$  is a straight or branched alkyl radical having 1-6 carbon atoms or a hydroxy radical, wherein  $R_4$  is H or a lower alkyl radical having 1-5 carbon atoms,
- 15 wherein X is O or S, wherein n is an integer of 0-5, wherein y is 1 or 2, and when y is 2, both the  $R_2$  radicals, tken together, can form a ring containing O, N or S.

- 20 More preferred adjuvants are those having the formula:



wherein  $R_1$  is a radical selected from

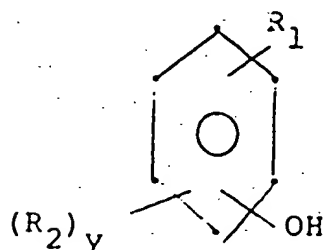
$-CO_2H$ ,  $-(CH_2) -COOH$ ,  $-CH=CH-CO_2H$ ,  $-C-CO_2H$ ,  
 $-SO_3H$ ,  
 $-CH_2SO_3H$ ,  $O(CH_2) CO_2H$  or a pharmaceutically

- 25 acceptable salt thereof wherein  $R_2$  is selected from OH, H, a lower alkoxy radical having 1-10 carbon atoms, a halo radical, a mono-, di-, or tri-halo lower alkyl radical wherein the alkyl group has 1-5 carbon atoms, a lower

alkyl thio radical wherein the alkyl radical has 1-5 carbon atoms, a cycloalkyl radical having 3-10 carbon atoms, or a cycloalkenyl radical having 3-10 carbon atoms and wherein

5 y is an integer of 1 or 2.

Highly preferred adjuvants are those having the formula:



wherein  $R_1$  is  $CO_2H$ ,  $-(CH_2)-COOH$ ,  $-C-CO_2H$ ,  $SO_3H$ ,  
 $OH$

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof wherein  $R_2$   
 10 is  $OH$ ,  $H$ , a lower alkoxy radical including methoxy, ethoxy, butoxy, or octyloxy, a lower alkyl radical including methyl, isopropyl, ethyl, t-butyl, n-butyl, or t-octyl, a halo radical, or a tri-halo lower alkyl radical including trifluoromethyl, and  
 15 wherein y is an integer of 1 or 2.

Specific adjuvants useful in our method and drug forms for enhancing oral absorption of polar bioactive agents include salicyclic acid, resorcylic acid, and gentisic acid. Other hydroxyaryl or hydroxyaralkyl acids,  
 20 such as 1-hydroxy-2-naphthoic acid, naphthoresorcylic acid, ferulic acid, caffeic acid, and homovanillic acid, have similar useful adjuvant activity in our process. Such adjuvants are not considered novel per se and may be prepared by techniques known to those skilled in the art.

The amount of hydroxyaryl or hydroxyaralkyl acids or salt ester or amide thereof used in our method and drug forms may vary over a wide range; in general, the identity and the amount of the hydroxyaryl or hydroxyaralkyl acid or salt ester or amide thereof is used in connection with the drug in order to be effective in enhancing the absorption rate of the drug from the gastrointestinal compartment into the bloodstream. The effectiveness of the hydroxyaromatic acid adjuvants becomes significant at local concentration exceeding 0.01% at the absorption site. Their use at a dosage whereby their concentration at the absorption site exceeds 5% is not recommended because of the local irritating effect on the tissue.

The polar bioactive agents whose enhanced oral delivery is a subject of the present invention encompass a variety of therapeutic agents such as the xanthines, triamterene and theophylline, the antitumor agents, 5-fluorouridinedeoxyriboside, 6-mercaptopurine-deoxyriboside, vidarabine, the narcotic analgesics, hydromorphone, cyclazine, pentazocine, bupomorphone, the compounds containing organic anions, heparin, prostaglandins and prostaglandin-like compounds, cromolyn sodium, carbenoxolone, the polyhydroxylic compounds, dopamine, dobutamine, L-dopa,  $\alpha$ -methyldopa, the polypeptides, angiotensin antagonists, bradykinin, insulin, ACTH, enkaphaline, endorphin, somatostatin, secretin and the miscellaneous compounds such as tetracyclines, bromocriptine, lidocaine, cimetidine or any related compounds. The quantity of these polar bioactive agents necessary for preparing the drug form could vary over a wide range, but would normally be regulated by that quantity necessary to comprise the therapeutically effective dosage form.

The following combinations of polar bioactive agents related compounds and hydroxyaryl or hydroxyaralkyl acids were given to beagle dogs by gavage. The urine was collected by catheterization and blood by venous puncture.

<u>Example</u>	<u>Polar Bioactive Agent</u>	<u>Hydroxyaryl or Hydroxyaralkyl Acid</u>
	1 triamterene	sodium salicylate
	2 theophylline	salicylic acid
	3 5-fluorouridinedeoxyribose	gentisic acid
5	4 6-mercaptapurinedeoxyribose	ferulic acid
	5 vidarabine	naphthoresorcylic acid
	6 hydromophone	caffeic acid
	7 cyclazine	sodium salicylate
	8 pentazocine	salicylic acid
10	9 bupomorphine	gentisic acid
	10 heparin	sodium gentisate
	11 15-methyl prostraglandin E <sub>2</sub>	sodium ferulate
	12 cromolyn sodium	resorcylic acid
	13 carbenoxolone	sodium gentisate
15	14 dopamine	salicylic acid
	15 dobutamine	caffeic acid
	16 l-dopa	1-hydroxy-2-naphthoic acid
	17 α-methyldopa	homovanillic acid
	18 saralasin acetate	sodium salicylate
20	19 bradykinin	ferulic acid
	20 insulin	caffeic acid
	21 ACTH	sodium homovanillate
	22 enkaphalin	salicylic acid
	23 endorphin	sodium salicylate
25	24 somatostatin	gentisic acid
	25 secretin	sodium ferulate
	26 chlorotetracycline	salicylic acid
	27 bromocriptine	caffeic acid
	28 lidocaine	sodium ferulate
30	29 cimetidine	homovanillic acid

The drug forms of this invention are suitably administered in oral dosage form, such as by tablet or capsule, by combining the polar bioactive agent in a therapeutic amount and the hydroxyaryl or hydroxyaralkyl acid or salt ester or amide thereof in a sufficient quantity to be effective to enhance oral delivery with an oral pharmaceutically acceptable inert carrier, such as lactose, starch (pharmaceutical grade), dicalcium phosphate, calcium sulfate, Kaolin, mannitol and powdered sugar. In order to reduce the irritation in the stomach, the preferred dose form of the hydroxyaryl or hydroxyaralkyl acid should be a pharmaceutically acceptable salt and the drug form should be designed to release the polar bioactive agent and the hydroxyaryl or hydroxyaralkyl acid salt beyond the pylorus. In addition, when required, suitable binders, lubricants, disintegrating agents, and coloring agents can also be added. Typical binders include, without limitation, starch, gelatin, sugars such as sucrose, molasses, and lactose, natural and synthetic gums, such as acacia, sodium alginate, extract of Irish moss, carboxymethylcellulose, methylcellulose, and polyvinylpyrrolidone, polyethylene glycol, ethylcellulose and waxes. Typical lubricants for use in these dosage forms can include, without limitation, boric acid, sodium benzoate, sodium acetate, sodium chloride, leucine and polyethylene glycol. Suitable disintegrators can include, without limitation, starch, methylcellulose, agar, bentonite, cellulose and wood products, alginic acid, guar gum, citris pulp, carboxymethylcellulose, and sodium lauryl sulfate. Optionally, if desired, a conventionally, pharmaceutically acceptable dye can be incorporated into oral dosage unit form, e.g., any of the standard FD & C dyes.

EXAMPLE IPreparation of Sodium 2-hydroxy-5-methoxy benzenesulfonate

p-Methoxyphenol (12.4 g) was dissolved in chloroform (100 ml) and cooled in ice. Chlorosulfonic acid (11.6 g) was added dropwise to the stirred reaction mixture. The cooling bath was removed after the addition and stirring continued for 24 hours at room temperature. The chloroform was then evaporated off and the residue was vacuum dried to a hygroscopic light brown solid weighing 20.5 g which was 2-hydroxy-5-methoxy-benzenesulfonic acid. NMR ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ) 3.73 (3H, s,  $\text{OCH}_3$ ), 6.8-7.2 (3H, m, aromatic H), and 9.86 (2H, broad s, OH and  $\text{SO}_3\text{H}$ ). IR (film) 3500-2900, 1512, 1470, 1229, 1198, 996, 938  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

The above sulfonic acid (10 g) was dissolved in water (10 ml) and poured into 75 ml of saturated sodium chloride solution. A white solid separated immediately. It was filtered and dried. Crystallization from water gave the pure sodium salt of 2-hydroxy-5-methoxy-benzenesulfonic acid (6.6 g).

NMR ( $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ ) 3.83 (3H, s,  $\text{OCH}_3$ ), 7.05 and 7.33 (3H, multiplets, aromatic). IR (KBr) 3260, 1518, 1440, 1300, 1280, 1240, 1210, 1905, 1045  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

Typical preparation of enteric-coated tablets containing adjuvant.

EXAMPLE II

Typical preparation of enteric-coated tablets continuing adjuvant.

125 mg Methyldopa Tablets

	<u>Ingredient</u>	<u>Amount per Tablet</u>
5	Methyldopa	125 mg
	Sodium 5-methoxysalicylate	250 mg
	Microcrystalline cellulose	150 mg
	Lactose	95 mg
10	Magnesium stearate	40 mg
	Total	660 mg

All ingredients except 1/4 of the magnesium stearate were mixed and the material slugged using 1/2" flat head punches. The slugs were broken up and passed through a 40 mesh screen. The remaining magnesium stearate was added and mixed in. Tablets were made with 7/16" deep concave punches to a hardness of 10 Kg.

Coating:

The tablets were coated with 11 mg of pre-coat and 32 mg of enteric coating according to the coating procedure described below.

Enteric Coating Procedure

Tablets or capsules were placed in a coating pan containing baffles to provide adequate tumbling. A small amount of the coating solution was applied using an air sprayer and the solvents evaporated with a warm air supply

directed into the coating pan. This procedure was repeated until the desired amount of coating material was applied. The amount of coating material was determined from the weight gain of a representative group of tablets.

5      Coating Solutions:

Pre-coat: A film of hydroxypropylmethylcellulose was applied to the tablets followed by an enteric coating.

Enteric coat: A film of hydroxypropylmethylcellulosephthalate was applied.

10      Solutions: A 5% by weight solution of hydroxypropylmethylcellulose and a 10% by weight solution of hydroxypropylmethylcellulosephthalate in ethanol:methylene chloride (1:1 by weight) were used as the coating solutions.

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EXAMPLE III

    In the like manner of Example II the following amount of various drugs may be incorporated into tablets using the same excepiant and adjuvant and preparation technique described above:

	<u>Drug</u>	<u>Amount</u>
	hydrochlorothiazide	75 mg.
	Sinemet	50/200 mg.
	(carbidopa and levodopa)	
5	cyclobenzaprine	10 mg
	diflunisal	250 mg.
	indomethacin	75 mg.
	methyldopa	500 mg.
	sulindac	200 mg.
10	ibuprofen	600 mg.
	naproxen	250 mg.
	phenylbutazone	100 mg.
	dexamethasone	4 mg
	prednisolone	25 mg.
15	clonidine	0.1 mg.
	propranolol	40 mg.
	diazepam	5 mg.
	chlorodiazepoxide	5 mg.
	furosemide	60 mg.
20	cephamandole	1000 mg.
	nalidixic acid	1000 mg.
	haloperidol	3 mg.
	captopril	
	timolol	

5 (-)-1-(cyclopropylmethyl)-  
4-[3-(trifluoromethylthio)-  
5H-dibenzo(a,d) cyclohepten-  
5-ylidene]piperidine hydro-  
chloride

N-[(S)-1-(ethoxycarbonyl)-3-  
phenylpropyl]-L-alanyl-L-  
proline maleate

10 (+)10,11-dihydro-5-methyl-5H-  
dibenzo[a,d] cyclohepten-5,10-  
imine oxalate

1-ethyl-6-fluoro-1,4-dihydro-4-  
oxo-7-(1-piperazinyl)-3-quinol-  
inecarboxylic acid

15 3-fluoro-D-alanine and D-4-(1-  
methyl-3-oxo-1-butenylamino)-  
3-isoxazolidinone sodium salt  
hemihydrate

20 L-N-(2-oxopiperidin-6-yl-  
carbonyl)-histidyl-L-thazol-  
idine-4-carboxamide

N-formimidoyl thienamycin  
monohydrate

25 (6,7-dichloro-2-methyl-2-  
phenyl-1-oxo-5-indanyloxy)  
acetic acid

The adjuvants may be chosen from the following  
salts or their acids:

30 Sodium 5-methoxysalicylate  
Sodium salicylate  
Sodium homovanilate  
Sodium 2,5-dihydroxybenzoate  
Sodium 2,4-dihydroxybenzoate  
Sodium 3,4-dihydroxymandelate  
35 Sodium 3-methoxy-4-hydroxymandelate

5 Sodium 3-methoxy-4-hydroxycinnamate  
Sodium-5-methoxy-2-hydroxyphenylsulfonate  
Sodium 3-methylsalicylate  
Sodium 5-methylsalicylate  
Sodium 5-tert-octylsalicylate  
Sodium 3-tert-butyl-5-methylsalicylate  
Sodium guaicol sulfonate  
Sodium 5-bromosalicylate  
Sodium 3,5-dibromosalicylate  
10 Sodium 5-iodosalicylate  
Sodium 3,5-diiodosalicylate  
Sodium 2-hydroxyphenylacetate  
Sodium 3-hydroxy-2-naphthoate  
Sodium mandelate  
15 Sodium phenyllatate  
Sodium 2-hydroxyphenylmethanesulfonate  
Sodium 5-trifluoromethyl-2-hydroxybenzoate  
Sodium 4-hydroxy-3-hydroxyphenylmethanesulfonate  
Sodium 3-methoxysalicylate  
20 Sodium 5-octyloxysalicylate  
Sodium 5-butoxysalicylate  
Sodium p-hydroxyphenoxyacetate  
Sodium 3,4-dihydroxyphenylacetate  
Sodium 5-chlorosalicylate  
25 Sodium 3,4-dihydroxycinnamate  
Sodium 3,5-dihydroxybenzoate  
Sodium 2-hydroxy-3-methoxybenzoate  
Sodium 1-hydroxy-2-naphthoate  
Sodium salicylurate

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EXAMPLE IV

Following are also specific examples of polar  
bioactive agents which can be combined in equivalent  
ratios or previously described with any one of the  
hydroxyaryl or hydroxyaralkyl acids or salts, ester, or  
35 amides thereof previously mentioned or with those  
specifically mentioned below

	<u>Drug</u>	<u>Adjuvant</u>
1	3,5-diamino-N-(aminoimino-methyl)-6-chloropyrazine-carboxamide (amiloride);	sodium salicylate
5	2. 6-chloro-3,4-dihydro-2H-1,2,4-benzothiadiazine-7-sulfonamide-1,1-dioxide (hydrochlorothiazide);	sodium homovanillate
10	3. amiloride hydrochloride and hydrochlorothiazide (Moduretic);	2,5-dihydroxy benzoate
15	4. S- $\alpha$ -hydrozino-3,4-dihydroxy- $\alpha$ -methylbenzene-propanoic acid monohydrate (carbidopa);	sodium 5-methoxy salicylate
	5. carbidopa and 3-hydroxy-L-tyrosine (levodopa (Sinemet);	sodium 3-methoxy salicylate
20	6. 3-(5H-dibenzo[a,d]cyclohepten-5-ylidene)-N,N-dimethyl-1-propanamine (cyclobenzaprine);	2,5-dihydroxy benzoate
	7. 2',4'-difluoro-4-hydroxy-[1,1'-biphenyl]-3-carboxylic acid (diflunisal);	sodium homovanillate
25	8. 1-(p-chlorobenzoyl)-5-methoxy-2-methylindole-3-acetic acid (indomethacin);	sodium homovanillate
	9. 3-hydroxy- $\alpha$ -methyl-L-tyrosine (methyldopa);	sodium salicylate

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| 5  | 10. | (2)-5-fluoro-2-methyl-1-<br>[[4-(methylsulfinyl)phenyl]<br>methylene]-1H-indene-3-<br>acetic acid (sulindac)                         | sodium 5-methoxy<br>salicylate |
|    | 11. | S-(-)-1-(tert-butylamino)-<br>3-[(4-morpholino-1,2,5-<br>thiadiazol-3-yl)oxy]-2-pro-<br>panol(timolol);                              | sodium salicylate              |
| 10 | 12. | (-)-1-(cyclopropylmethyl)-<br>4-[3-(trifluoromethylthio)-<br>5H-dibenzo(a,d) cyclohepten-<br>5-ylidene]piperidine hydro-<br>chloride | sodium salicylate              |
| 15 | 13. | N-[(S)-1-(ethoxycarbonyl)-3-<br>phenylpropyl]-L-alanyl-L-<br>proline maleate                                                         | sodium homovanillate           |
| 20 | 14. | (+)-10,11-dihydro-5-methyl-5H-<br>dibenzo[a,d] cyclohepten-5,10-<br>imine oxalate                                                    | 2,5-dihydroxy<br>benzoate      |
|    | 15. | 1-ethyl-6-fluoro-1,4-dihydro-4-<br>oxo-7-(1-piperazinyl)-3-quinol-<br>inecarboxylic acid                                             | sodium 5-methoxy<br>salicylate |
| 25 | 16. | 3-fluoro-D-alanine and D-4-(1-<br>methyl-3-oxo-1-butenylamino)-<br>3-isoxazolidinone sodium salt<br>hemihydrate                      | sodium 3-methoxy<br>salicylate |
| 30 | 17. | L-N-(2-oxopiperidin-6-yl-<br>carbonyl)-histidyl-L-thiazol-<br>indine-4-carboxamide                                                   | sodium salicylate              |
|    | 18. | (6,7-dichloro-2-methyl-2-<br>phenyl-1-oxo-5-indanyloxy)<br>acetic acid                                                               | sodium homovanillate           |
| 35 | 19. | $\alpha$ -methyl-4-(2-methylpropyl)<br>benzeneacetic acid (ibuprofen)                                                                | sodium homovanillate           |

	<u>Drug</u>	<u>Adjuvant</u>
	20. (+)-6-methoxy- $\alpha$ -methyl-2-naphthaleneacetic acid (naproxen)	sodium salicylate
5	21. 5-(4-chlorobenzoyl)-1,4-dimethyl-1H-pyrrole-2-acetic acid	sodium 5-methoxy salicylate
	22. 4-butyl-1,2-diphenyl-3,5-pyrazolidinedione (phenylbutazone)	sodium salicylate
10	23. 9-fluoro-11 $\beta$ ,17,21-trihydroxy-16 $\alpha$ -methyl pregna-1,4-diene-3,20-dione (dexamethasone)	sodium salicylate
	24. 11 $\beta$ ,17,21-trihydroxypregna-1,4-diene-3,20-dione (prednisolone)	sodium homovanillate
15	25. 2-(2,6-dichloroanilino)-2-imidazoline (clonidine)	2,5-dihydroxy benzoate
	26. 1-(isopropylamino)-3-(1-naphthylloxy)-2-propanol (propranolol)	sodium 5-methoxy salicylate
20	27. 7-chloro-1,3-dihydro-1-methyl-5-phenyl-2H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-one (diazepam)	sodium 3-methoxy salicylate
	28. 7-chloro-N-methyl-5-phenyl-3H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-amine 4-oxide (chlorodiazepoxide)	sodium salicylate
25	29. 5-(aminosulfonyl)-4-chloro-2-[(2-furanylmethyl)amino]benzoic acid (furosemide)	2,5-dihydroxy benzoate
	30. 1-ethyl-1,4-dihydro-7-methyl-4-oxo-1,8-naphthyridine-3-carboxylic acid (nalidixic acid)	sodium homovanillate
30	31. 4-[4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinyl]-1-(4-fluorophenyl)-1-butanone (haloperidol)	sodium 5-methoxy salicylate
35	32. 1-(3-mercapto-2-methyl-1-oxopropyl)-L-proline (captopril)	sodium salicylate

As already described, the method of the present invention for enhancing the rate of absorption of polar bioactive agents orally is useful for a wide range of these particular drugs. Without limiting the broad applicability of the novel method, there is also pointed out below a number of these drugs for which the novel method is particularly useful.

3,5-diamino-N-(aminoiminomethyl)-6-chloropyrazine-carboxamide (amiloride);

10 6-chloro-3,4-dihydro-2H-1,24-benzothiadiazine-7-sulfonamide-1,1-dioxide (hydrochlorothiazide);

amiloride hydrochloride and hydrochlorothiazide (Moduretic);

15 S- $\alpha$ -hydrozino-3,4-dihydroxy- $\alpha$ -methylbenzenepropanoic acid monohydrate (carbidopa);

carbidopa and 3-hydroxy-L-tyrosine (levodopa) (Sinemet);

3-(5H-dibenzo[a,d]cyclohepten-5-ylidene)-N,N-dimethyl-1-propanamine (cyclobenzaprine);

20 2',4'-difluoro-4-hydroxy[1,1'-biphenyl]-3-carboxylic acid (diflunisal);

1-(p-chlorobenzoyl)-5-methoxy-2-methylindole-3-acetic acid  
(indomethacin);

3-hydroxy- $\alpha$ -methyl-L-tyrosine (methyldopa);

(Z)-5-fluoro-2-methyl-1-[[4-(methylsulfinyl)phenyl]methyl-  
5 ene]-1H-indene-3-acetic acid (sulindac);

S-(-)-1-(tert-butylamino)-3-[(4-morpholino-1,2,5-thiadiazol-3-yl)oxy]-2-propanol (timolol);

(-)-1-(cyclopropylmethyl)-4-[3-(trifluoromethylthio)-5H-dibenzo(a,d) cyclohepten-5-ylidene]piperidine hydrochloride

10 N-[(S)-1(ethoxycarbonyl)-3-phenylpropyl]-L-alanyl-L-proline maleate

(+)-10,11-dihydro-5-methyl-5H-dibenzo(a,d) cyclohepten-5,10-imine oxalate

1-ethyl-6-fluoro-1,4-dihydro-4-oxo-7-(1-piperazinyl)-3-  
15 quinolinecarboxylic acid

3-fluoro-D-alanine and D-4-(1-methyl-3-oxo-1-butenylamino)-3-isoxazolidinone sodium salt hemihydrate

L-N-(2-oxopiperidine-6-ylcarbonyl)-histidyl-L-thiazolidine-4-carboxamide

(6,7-dichloro-2-methyl-2-phenyl-1-oxo-5-indanyloxy) acetic acid

$\alpha$ -methyl-4-(2-methylpropyl)benzeneacetic acid (ibuprofen)

(+)-6-methoxy- $\alpha$ -methyl-2-naphthaleneacetic acid (naproxen)

5 5-(4-chlorobenzoyl)-1,4-dimethyl-1H-pyrrole-2-acetic acid

4-butyl-1,2-diphenyl-3,5-pyrazolidinedione (phenylbutazone)

9-fluoro-11 $\beta$ ,17,21-trihydroxy-16 $\alpha$ -methylpregna-1,4-diene-3,20-dione (dexamethasone)

11 $\beta$ ,17,21-trihydroxypregna-1,4-diene-3,20-dione

10 (prednisolone)

2-(2,6-dichloroanilino)-2-imidazoline (clonidine)

1-(isopropylamino)-3-(1-naphthyloxy)-2-propanol  
(propranolol)

7-chloro-1,3-dihydro-1-methyl-5-phenyl-2H-1,4-benzodiazepin-  
15 2-one (diazepam)

7-chloro-N-methyl-5-phenyl-3H-1,4-benzodiazepin-2-amine 4-oxide (chlordiazepoxide)

5-(aminosulfonyl)-4-chloro-2-[(2-furanylmethyl)amino]  
benzoic acid (furosemide)

1-ethyl-1,4-dihydro-7-methyl-4-oxo-1,8-naphthyridine-3-  
carboxylic acid (nalidixic acid)

5 4-[4-(4-chlorophenyl)-4-hydroxy-1-piperidinyl]-1-(4-fluoro-  
phenyl)-1-butanone (haloperidol)

1-(3-mercapto-2-methyl-1-oxopropyl)-L-proline (captopril)

Any skilled artisan concerned with the subject  
matter of this invention can prepare these oral dosage  
10 forms by simply referring to the oral dosage form  
preparatory procedure outlined in REMINGTON'S  
PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES, Fifteenth Edition (1975), pages  
1576 through 1617 inclusive.

From the foregoing description, one of ordinary  
15 skill in the art can easily ascertain the essential  
characteristics of this invention, and without departing  
from the spirit and scope thereof, can make various  
changes and modifications of the invention to adapt it to  
various usages and conditions. As such, such changes and  
20 modifications are properly, equitably, and intended to be,  
within the full range of equivalence of the following  
claims.

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CLAIMS:

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1. An orally administered drug form comprising a therapeutically effective amount of polar bioactive agent and an adjuvant comprising a hydroxyaryl or hydroxyaralkyl acid, or salt amide or ester thereof, said adjuvant being present in said drug form in sufficient amount to be effective in enhancing the oral absorption rate of said polar bioactive agent.

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2. The drug form of Claim 1 wherein said polar bioactive agent is xanthines, anti-tumor agents, narcotic analgesics, biologically active organic anion, polyhydroxylic bioactive compounds, bioactive polypeptides or bioactive agents.

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3. The drug form of Claim 2 wherein said xanthines is triamterene or theophylline.

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4. The drug form of Claim 2 wherein said antitumor agent is 5-fluorouridine deoxyribose, 6-mercapto purine deoxyribose or vidarabine.

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5. The drug form of Claim 2 wherein said narcotic analgesic is hydromorphone, eyclazine, pentazocine or bromorphine.

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6. The drug form of Claim 2 wherein  
said biologically active organic anion is  
5 heparin, 15-methyl prostaglandin E<sub>2</sub>, cromolyn  
sodium or carbenoxolone.

7. The drug form of Claim 2 wherein  
said polyhydroxylic bioactive compounds is  
10 dopamine, dobutamine, 1-dopa, or  $\alpha$ -methyldopa.

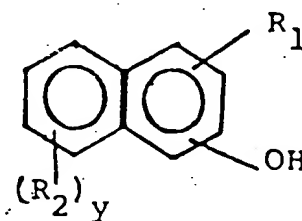
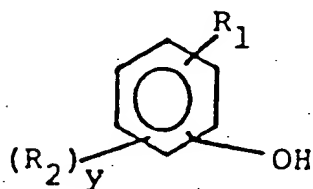
8. The drug form of Claim 2 wherein  
said bioactive peptides is saralasin acetate,  
bradykinin, insulin, ACTH, enkaphalin, endorphin,  
15 somatostatin or secretin.

9. The drug form of Claim 2 wherein  
said polar bioactive agent is chlorotetracycline,  
bromocriptine, lidocaine or cimetidine.  
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10. The drug form of Claim 2 wherein  
said polar bioactive agent is amiloride, hydro-  
chlorothiazide, moduretic, carbidopa, levodopa,  
cyclobenzaprine, diflunisal, indomethacin,  
25 methyldopa, sulindac, timolol, (-)-1-(cyclo-  
propylmethyl)4-3-(trifluoromethylthio) 5H-  
dibenzo(a,d)cyclohepten-5-ylidene7piperidine  
hydrochloride, N-7(S)-1-(ethoxycarbonyl)-3-  
phenylpropyl7-L-alanyl-L-prolinemaleate, (+)10,11-  
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1 dihydro-5-methyl-5H-dibenzo[a,d]cyclohepten-5,10-imine  
 oxalate, 1-ethyl-6-fluoro-1,4-dihydro-4-oxo-7-(1-pipera-  
 zinyl)-3-quinoline-carboxylic acid, 3-fluoro-D-alanine and  
 5 D-4-(1-methyl-3-oxo-1-butenylamino)-3-isoxazolidinone  
 sodium salt hemihydrate, L-N-(2-oxopiperidin-6-ylcarbonyl)-  
 histidyl-L-thiazolidine-4-carboxamide, (6,7-dichloro-  
 2-methyl-2-phenyl-1-oxo-5-indanyloxy) acetic acid,  
 ibuprofen, naproxen, 5-(4-chlorobenzoyl)-1,4-dimethyl-1H-  
 10 hyrrole-2-acetic acid, phenylbutazone, dexamethasone, pred-  
 nisolone, clonidine, propranolol, diazepam,  
 chlorodiazepoxide, furosemide, nalidixic acid,  
 haloperidol, or captopril.

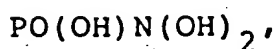
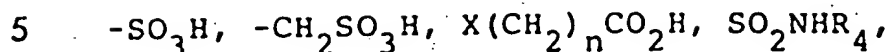
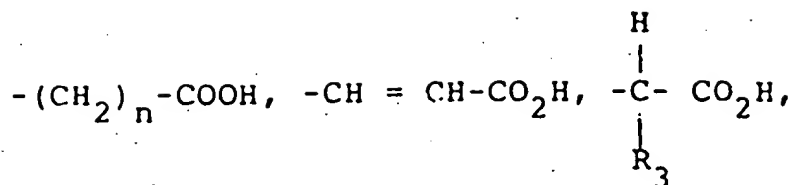
15 11. The drug form of anyone of Claims 1 to  
 10 wherein said adjuvant comprises



25 wherein  $R_1$  is a radical selected from  $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$ ,

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PO(OH)OR<sub>4</sub>, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof  
 wherein R<sub>2</sub> is a radical selected from OH, H, a lower  
 alkoxy radical having 1-10 carbon atoms, a lower alkyl  
 radical having 1-10 carbon atoms, a lower alkenyl radical  
 having 2-5 carbon atoms, a lower alkanoyl radical having  
 1-5 carbon atoms, a lower alkanoyloxy radical having 1-5  
 carbon atoms, a carboxy radical, a carbo-lower alkoxy  
 radical having 1-5 carbon atoms, a halo radical, a mono-,  
 di-, or tri-halo lower alkyl radical having 1-5 carbon  
 atoms, an amino radical, a mono- or di-lower alkyl amino  
 radical having 1-5 carbon atoms, a carbamyl radical, a  
 lower mono- or di-alkyl carbamyl radical wherein the alkyl  
 group has 1-5 carbon atoms, a thio radical, a lower alkyl  
 thio radical wherein the alkyl group has 1-5 carbon atoms,  
 a cyano radical, a lower alkyl sulfone radical wherein the  
 alkyl group has 1-5 carbon atoms, a lower alkyl sulfoxide  
 radical wherein the alkyl group has 1-5 carbon atoms, a  
 nitro radical, N(CN)<sub>2</sub>, C(CN)<sub>3</sub>, an alkynyl radical  
 having 2-6 carbon atoms, a cycloalkyl radical having 3-10  
 carbon atoms, a cycloalkenyl radical having 3-10 carbon  
 atoms, an aryl radical, a heteroaryl radical including  
 thiophenyl and imidazolyl, or a heterocycloalkyl radical,  
 wherein R<sub>3</sub> is a straight or branched alkyl radical

having 1-6 carbon atoms or a hydroxy radical,  
 wherein  $R_4$  is H or a lower alkyl radical having 1-5  
 carbon atoms,

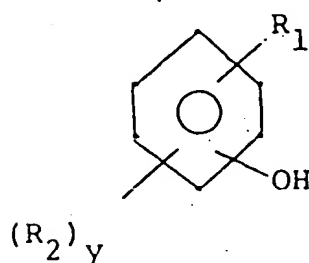
wherein X is O or S,

5 wherein n is an integer of 0-5,

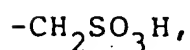
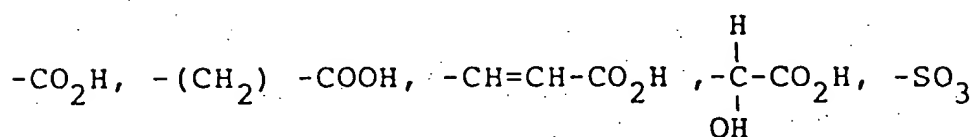
wherein y is 1 or 2, and

when y is 2, both the  $R_2$  radicals, taken together, can  
 form a ring containing O, N or S.

12. The drug form of anyone of Claims 1 to 10  
 10 wherein said adjuvant comprises



wherein  $R_1$  is a radical selected from

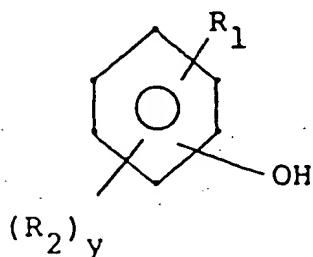


15 O(CH<sub>2</sub>) CO<sub>2</sub>H or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt  
 thereof

wherein  $R_2$  is selected from OH, H, a lower alkoxy  
 radical having 1-10 carbon atoms, a lower alkyl radical  
 having 1-10 carbon atoms, a halo radical, a mono-, di-, or  
 tri-halo lower alkyl radical wherein the alkyl group has  
 20 1-5 carbon atoms, a lower alkyl thio radical wherein the

alkyl radical has 1-5 carbon atoms, a cyloalkyl radical having 3-10 carbon atoms, or a cycloalkenyl radical having 3-10 carbon atoms and wherein  $y$  is an integer of 1 or 2.

13. The drug form of anyone of Claims 1 to 10  
5 wherein said adjuvant comprises



wherein  $R_1$  is  $CO_2H$ ,  $(CH_2) COOH$ ,  $\begin{array}{c} H \\ | \\ -C-CO_2^H \\ | \\ OH \end{array}$ , or

$SO_3H$ ,

- or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof  
wherein  $R_2$  is  $OH$ ,  $H$ , lower alkoxy radical, a lower alkyl  
10 radical, a halo radical, or a tri-halo lower alkyl  
radical, and  
wherein  $y$  is an integer of 1 or 2.

14. The drug form of anyone of Claims 1 to 10  
15 wherein said adjuvant is 5-methoxysalicylic acid, salicylic  
acid, homovanillic acid; 2,5-dihydroxybenzoic acid;  
2,4-dihydroxybenzoic acid; 3,4-dihydroxymandelic acid;  
3-methoxy-4-hydroxy-cinnamic acid; 5-methoxy-2-hydroxy-  
phenylsulfonic acid; 3-methylsalicylic acid; ;  
5-methylsalicylic acid; 5-tert-octylsalicylic acid; 3-tert-

- butyl-6-methylsalicylic acid; 3,5-diisopropylsalicylic acid; 3-tert-butyl-5-methylsalicylic acid; guaicolulfonic acid; 5-bromo-salicylic acid; 3,5-dibromo-salicylic acid; 5-iodosalicylic acid; 3,5-diiodosalicylic acid;
- 5 3,5-diiodosalicylic acid; 2-hydroxyphenylacetic acid; 3-hydroxy-2-naphthoic acid; mandelic acid; phenyllactic acid; 2-hydroxyphenylmethanesulfonic acid; 5-trifluoromethyl-2-hydroxybenzoic acid;
- 4-hydroxy-3-hydroxyphenylmethanesulfonic acid; 3-methoxy-
- 10 salicylic acid; 5-octyloxysalicylic acid; 5-butoxy-salicylic acid; p-hydroxyphenoxyacetic acid; 3,4-dihydroxyphenylacetic acid; 5-chlorosalicylic acid; 3,4 dihydroxycinnamic acid; 3,5-dihydroxybenzoic acid; 2-hydroxy-3-methoxybenzoic acid; 1-hydroxy-2-naphthoic
- 15 acid; salicyluric acid; or the sodium salts thereof.

15. The drug form of anyone of Claims 1 to 10 wherein the adjuvant is salicylic acid or sodium salicylate.

CLAIMS FOR AUSTRIA

1. A method for enhancing the rate of absorption of an orally administered polar bioactive agent into the bloodstream, said method comprising the steps of preparing a drug form capable of being orally absorbed, said drug form comprising a therapeutically effective dosage amount of the polar bioactive agent and an adjuvant of hydroxyaryl or hydroxyaralkyl acids or salts, amides or esters thereof said adjuvant being present in said drug form in a sufficient amount to be effective in enhancing said oral absorption rate.

2. The method of Claim 1 wherein said polar bioactive agent is xanthines, antitumor agents, narcotic analgesis, biologically active organic anion, polyhydroxylic bioactive compounds or bioactive polypeptides or bioactive agents.

3. The method of Claim 2 wherein said xanthines is triamterene or theophylline.

4. The method of Claim 2 wherein said antitumor agent is 5-fluorouridine deoxyribose, 6-mercapto parine deoxyribose or vidarabine.

5. The method of Claim 2 wherein said narcotic analgesic is hydromorphone, cyclazine, pentazocine or bupomorphine.

6. The method of Claim 2 wherein said biologically active organic anion is heparin, 15-methyl prostaglandin  $E_2$ , cromdyn sodium or carbenoxolone.

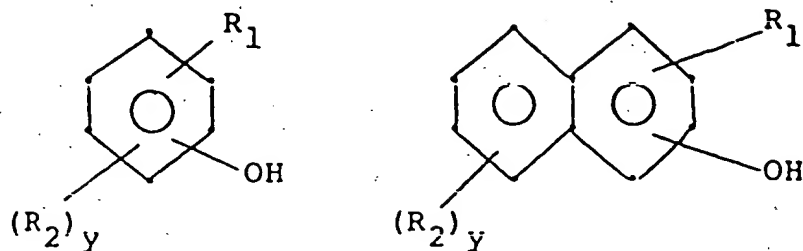
7. The method of Claim 2 wherein said polyhydroxylic bioactive compounds is dopamine, dobutamine, l-dopa, or  $\alpha$ -methyldopa.

5 8. The method of Claim 2 wherein said bioactive polypeptides is aralasin acetate, bradykinin, insulin, ACTH, enkaphalin, endorphin, somatostatin or secretin.

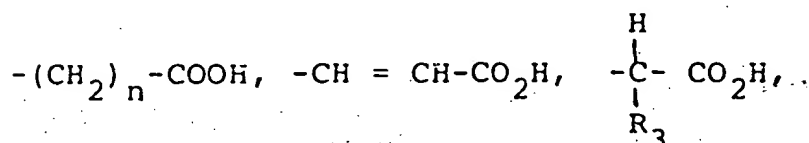
9. The method of Claim 2 wherein said polar bioactive agent is chlorotetracycline, bromocriptine, lidocaine or cimetidine.

10 10. The method of Claim 2 wherein said polar bioactive agent is: amiloride, hydrochlorothiazide, moduretic, carbidopa, levodopa, cyclobenzaprine, diflunisal, indomethacin, methyldopa, sulindac, timolol, (-)-1-(cyclopropylmethyl) 4-[3-(trifluoromethylthio)-5H-  
15 dibenzo(a,d)cyclohepten-5-ylidene]piperidine hydrochloride, N-[(S)-1-(ethoxycarbonyl)-3-phenylpropyl]-L-alanyl-L-proline maleate, (+)10,11-dihydro-5-methyl-5H-dibenzo[a,d] cyclohepten-5,10-imine oxalate, 1-ethyl-6-fluoro-1,4-dihydro-4-oxo-7-(1-piperazinyl)-3-quinoline-carboxylic  
20 acid, 3-fluoro-D-alanine and D-4-(1-methyl-3-oxo-1-butenylamino)-3-isoxazolidinone sodium salt hemihydrate, L-N-(2-oxopiperidin-6-ylcarbonyl)-histidyl-L-thiazolidine-4-carboxamide, (6,7-dichloro-2-methyl-2-phenyl-1-oxo-5-indanyloxy) acetic acid, ibuprofen, naproxen, 5-(4-chlorobenzoyl)-1,4-dimethyl-1H-hyrrole-2-acetic acid,  
25 phenylbutazone, dexamethasone, prednisolone, clonidine, propranolol, diazepam, chlorodiazepoxide, furosemide, nalidixic acid, haloperidol, and captopril.

11. The method of anyone of Claims 1 to 10 wherein said adjuvant comprises



wherein  $R_1$  is a radical selected from  $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$ ,



$-\text{SO}_3\text{H}$ ,  $-\text{CH}_2\text{SO}_3\text{H}$ ,  $\text{X}(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{CO}_2\text{H}$ ,  $\text{SO}_2\text{NHR}_4$ ,

5  $\text{PO}(\text{OH})\text{N}(\text{OH})_2$ ,  $\text{PO}(\text{OH})\text{OR}_4$  or a pharmaceutically

acceptable salt thereof wherein  $R_2$  is a radical selected from OH, H, a lower alkoxy radical having 1-10 carbon

atoms, a lower radical having 1-10 carbon atoms, a lower alkenyl radical having 2-5 carbon atoms, a lower alkanoyl radical having 1-5 carbon atoms, a lower alkanoyloxy

10 radical having 1-5 carbon atoms, a carboxy radical, a carbo-lower alkoxy radical having 1-5 carbon atoms, a halo radical, a mono- di-, or tri-halo lower alkyl radical having 1-5 carbon atoms, and amino radical, a mono-or

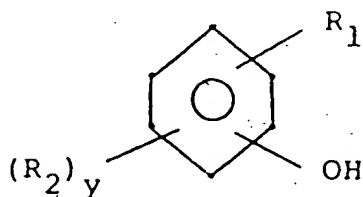
15 di-lower alkyl amino radical having 1-5 carbon atoms, a carbamyl radical, a lower mono- or di-alkyl carbamyl radical wherein the alkyl group has 1-5 carbon atoms, a

thio radical, a lower alkyl thio radical wherein the alkyl group has 1-5 carbon atoms, a cyano radical, a lower alkyl sulfone radical wherein the alkyl group has 1-5 carbon

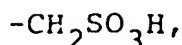
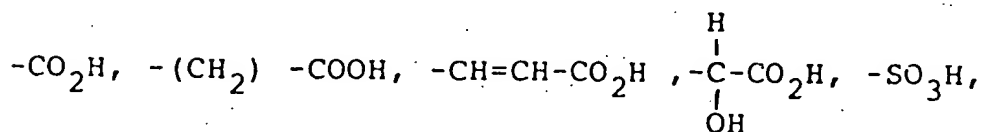
20 atoms, a lower alkyl sulfoxide radical wherein the

alkyl group has 1-5 carbon atoms, a nitro radical,  
 $N(CN)_2$ ,  $C(CN)_3$ , an alkynyl radical having 2-6  
 carbon atoms, a cycloalkyl radical having 3-10 carbon  
 atoms, a cycloalkenyl radical having 3-10 carbon atoms, an  
 5 aryl radical, a hetroaryl radical including thiophenyl and  
 imadazoalyl, or a heterocycloalkyl radical,  
 wherein  $R_3$  is a straight or branched alkyl radical  
 having 1-6 carbon atoms or a hydroxy radical,  
 wherein  $R_4$  is H or a lower alkyl radical having 1-5  
 10 carbon atoms,  
 wherein X is O or S,  
 wherein n is an integer of 0-5,  
 wherein y is 1 or 2, and  
 when y is 2, both the  $R_2$  radicals, taken together, can  
 15 form a ring containing O, N or S.

12. The method of anyone of Claims 1 to 10  
 wherein said adjuvant comprises



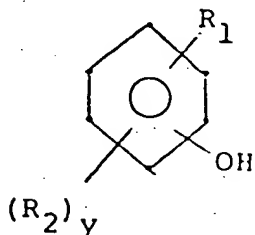
wherein  $R_1$  is a radical selected from



$O(CH_2)_y CO_2H$  or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof

wherein  $R_2$  is selected from OH, H, a lower alkoxy radical having 1-10 carbon atoms, a lower alkyl radical having 1-10 carbon atoms, a halo radical, a mono-, di-, or tri-halo lower alkyl radical wherein the alkyl group has 1-5 carbon atoms, a lower alkyl thio radical wherein the alkyl radical has 1-5 carbon atoms, a cyloalkyl radical having 3-10 carbon atoms, or a cycloalkenyl radical having 3-10 carbon atoms and wherein y is an integer of 1 or 2.

13. The method of anyone of Claims 1 to 10 wherein said adjuvant comprises



wherein  $R_1$  is  $CO_2H$ ,  $(CH_2)_y COOH$ ,  $\begin{array}{c} H \\ | \\ -C-CO_2H \\ | \\ OH \end{array}$ ,  $SO_3H$ ,

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof wherein  $R_2$  is OH, H, a lower alkoxy radical, a lower alkyl radical, a halo radical, or a tri-halo lower alkyl radical, and

wherein y is an integer of 1 or 2.

14. The method of anyone of Claims 1 to 10 wherein said adjuvant is 5-methoxysalicylic acid, salicylic acid, homovanillic acid, 2,5-dihydroxybenzoic acid; 2,4-dihydroxybenzoic acid; 3,4-dihydroxymandelic acid; 3-methoxy-4-hydroxycinnamic acid; 5-methoxy-2-hydroxyphenylsulfonic acid; 3-methylsalicylic acid; 5-methylsalicylic acid; 5-tert-octylsalicylic acid; 3-tert-butyl-6-methylsalicylic acid; 3,5-diisopropylsalicylic acid; 3-tert-butyl-5-methylsalicylic acid; guaicol sulfonic acid; 5-bromosalicylic acid; 3,5-dibromosalicylic acid; 5-iodosalicylic acid; 3,5-diiodosalicylic acid; 3,5-diiodosalicylic acid; 2-hydroxyphenylacetic acid; 3-hydroxy-2-naphthoic acid; mandelic acid; phenyllactic acid; 2-hydroxyphenylmethanesulfonic acid; 5-trifluoromethyl-2-hydroxybenzoic acid; 4-hydroxy-3-hydroxyphenylmethanesulfonic acid; 3-methoxysalicylic acid; 5-octyloxysalicylic acid; 5-butoxysalicylic acid; p-hydroxyphenoxyacetic acid; 3,4-dihydroxyphenylacetic acid; 5-chlorosalicylic acid; 3,4-dihydroxycinnamic acid; 3,5-dihydroxybenzoic acid; 2-hydroxy-3-methoxybenzoic acid; 1-hydroxy-2-naphthoic acid; salicyluric acid; or the sodium salts thereof.

15. The method of anyone of Claims 1 to 10 wherein the adjuvant is salicylic acid or sodium salicylate.



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